

**MINUTES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS**

CR-07-00029

December 12, 2007
9:40 a.m.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA -V- LI, ZONG GUO

PRESENT: HON. ALEX R. MUNSON, CHIEF JUDGE PRESIDING
K. LYNN LEMIEUX, COURTROOM DEPUTY
SANAE N. SHMULL, COURT REPORTER
LI, ZONG GUO, DEFENDANT
LOREN SUTTON, ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT
ERIC O'MALLEY, ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY

PROCEEDINGS: INITIAL APPEARANCE

Defendant appeared with counsel, Attorney Loren Sutton. Government was represented by Eric O'Malley, AUSA.

Attorney Sutton represented to the Court that he was making a special appearance this morning. He stated that he had not yet been retained by the defendant, but, that they were discussing that possibility.

Dennis Tse was present as interpreter/translator.

Defendant was examined as to his understanding of his constitutional rights, his right to trial and his understanding of the proceedings, including his right to be represented by court appointed counsel.

Defendant stated that he would retain his own counsel.

Court continued the case to **December 21, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. for Preliminary Examination.**

Government moved that the defendant be held without bail. Attorney Sutton moved for release with a third-party custodian. Court DENIED bail at this time.

Court remanded the defendant back into the custody of the U.S. Marshal until further order of the Court.

Adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

/s/ K. Lynn Lemieux, Courtroom Deputy